

REMARKS

The pending application received a notice of allowance, mailed on February 23, 2006. Although Applicant submits that the allowed claims distinguish over the prior art, Applicant has amended the claims to provide a clearer recitation of the invention sought to be protected. Applicant is also submitting herewith a supplementary information disclosure statement.

Applicant respectfully submits that the application is in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested at the Examiner's earliest convenience.

Applicant's undersigned attorney can be reached at the address shown below. All telephone calls should be directed to the undersigned at (617) 521-7832.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$790.00 for the Request for Continued Examination fee. Please apply any other charges or credits, including any fees that are due for the supplementary information disclosure statement, to deposit account 06-1050, referencing Attorney Docket Number 00167-318001.

Respectfully submitted,

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